GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

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Cotton Clothes
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the States where the use of cotton clothes has increased or decreased during the last three years indicating the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether cotton clothes are more expensive and if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES
(SHRI AJAY TAMTA)

(a): The data regarding consumption of cotton clothes is not maintained. However, details of production of cotton cloth (fabric) in the country during last three years are as under:-

Production of Cotton Cloth (in Million Sq. Metres)
Year 2014-15 2015-16 2016-17 (prov.)
Cotton Cloth Production 36959 38440 38850

(b): India is the largest producer of cotton and the second largest exporter and consumer of cotton in the world. India is also the second largest producer of cotton fabrics. India produces a wide range of clothes in various price brackets. In order to promote textile industry, including the cotton textile industry, government is implementing several schemes including the Amended Technology Upgradation Scheme, Integrated Skill Development Scheme, the Scheme for Integrated Textile Parks and PowerTex India Scheme, etc. Most importantly, for promoting the garment industry, the government has launched a Special Package for Apparel and Garmenting sector in 2016.

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